

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ichihara et al.
 Serial No.: 10/045,738
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 For: INFORMATION RECORDING AND
 REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND
 METHOD AND SIGNAL DECODING
 CIRCUIT HAVING IMPROVED NOISE
 PROCESSING CHARACTERISTICS (as
 amended)
 Art Unit: 2651
 Examiner: Faber, Alan

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as FIRST-CLASS mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this date.

July 25, 2005

Date

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 Attorney for Applicant(s)

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
 Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	<u>66</u> -	<u>99</u> =	<u>0</u> x	\$ 50.00 =	\$
Independent Claims	<u>6</u> -	<u>9</u> =	<u>0</u> x	\$200.00 =	\$
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims				\$360.00 =	\$
			Total Additional Fee		\$ <u>0.00</u>

(X) Amendment B.

(X) Petition for Extension of Time with a check for \$1,020.00.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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By: *[Signature]*

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